

# FOSTER CARE STATISTICS USA & CANADA



## TOTAL POPULATION:

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**USA: 331,449,281**

**CANADA: 38,001,000**



## FOSTER CARE DATA:

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	children in out-of-home placements	children waiting for adoption
USA	<b>407,493</b>	<b>63,815</b>
CANADA	<b>59,283</b>	<b>30,000</b>



## NUMBER OF CHURCHES:

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**USA: 243,755**

**CANADA: 30,000**

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# FOSTER CARE MISCONCEPTIONS

**BELIEF:** 51% believe that the majority of children are placed in foster care because they are juvenile delinquents.

**FACT:** The majority of children are placed into foster care due to abuse or neglect by their families of origin.

**BELIEF:** 3 in 10 adults believe children not adopted by the time they age out of foster care will be fine on their own.

**FACT:** Foster youth that age out without a family are more likely to face poverty, homelessness, teen pregnancy, sex trafficking, incarceration, and suicide.

**BELIEF:** Adults estimate the racial make-up of foster children to be 27% white and 35% black.

**FACT:** The actual racial make-up of foster children is 44% white and 22% black.

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